

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
District of New Jersey

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

Case Number Cr.09-317-01(FLW)

THOMAS ASARE

Defendant.

**JUDGMENT IN A CRIMINAL CASE**  
(For Offenses Committed On or After November 1, 1987)

The defendant, THOMAS ASARE, was represented by Joshua P. Cohn, Esq.

The defendant pled guilty to count(s) One of the INFORMATION on 4/27/09. Accordingly, the court has adjudicated that the defendant is guilty of the following offense(s):

<u>Title &amp; Section</u>	<u>Nature of Offense</u>	<u>Date of Offense</u>	<u>Count Number(s)</u>
18:1029(b)(2)	Conspiracy to Produce, Use and Traffic in Counterfeit Access Devices	9-18-07	One

As pronounced on September 24, 2009, the defendant is sentenced as provided in pages 2 through 5 of this Judgment. The sentence is imposed pursuant to the Sentencing Reform Act of 1984.

It is ordered that the defendant shall pay to the United States a special assessment of \$100.00, for count(s) One, which shall be due immediately. Said special assessment shall be made payable to the Clerk, U.S. District Court.

It is further ordered that the defendant shall notify the United States Attorney for this district within 30 days of any change of name, residence, or mailing address until all fines, restitution, costs, and special assessments imposed by this Judgment are fully paid. If ordered to pay restitution, the defendant shall notify the court and United States Attorney of any material change in the defendant's economic circumstances.

Signed this the 24<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2009.  
FRED A. L. WOLFSON  
United States District Judge

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**IMPRISONMENT**

The defendant is hereby committed to the custody of the United States Bureau of Prisons to be imprisoned for a term of 9 Months.

The Court makes the following recommendations to the Bureau of Prisons: that the defendant be placed in a facility located close to his family.

The defendant shall surrender to the United States marshal for this district within 60 days from the date of this judgment.

**RETURN**

I have executed this Judgment as follows:

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Defendant delivered on \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_  
At \_\_\_\_\_, with a certified copy of this Judgment.

\_\_\_\_\_  
United States Marshal

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Marshal

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### **SUPERVISED RELEASE**

Upon release from imprisonment, the defendant shall be placed on supervised release for a term of 3 years.

Within 72 hours of release from custody of the Bureau of Prisons, the defendant shall report in person to the Probation Office in the district to which the defendant is released.

While on supervised release, the defendant shall comply with the standard conditions that have been adopted by this court (on the next page).

Based on information presented, the defendant is excused from the mandatory drug testing provision, however, may be requested to submit to drug testing during the period of supervision if the probation officer determines a risk of substance abuse.

If this judgment imposes a fine, special assessment, costs, or restitution obligation, it shall be a condition of supervised release that the defendant pay any such fine, assessments, costs, and restitution that remains unpaid at the commencement of the term of supervised release and shall comply with the following special conditions:

The defendant shall provide the U.S. Probation Office with full disclosure of his financial records to include yearly income tax returns upon the request of the U.S. Probation Office. The defendant shall cooperate with the probation officer in the investigation of his financial dealings and shall provide truthful monthly statements of his income.

The defendant shall cooperate with Immigration and Customs Enforcement to resolve any problems with his status in the United States. The defendant shall provide truthful information and abide by the rules and regulations of Immigration and Customs Enforcement. If deported, the defendant shall not re-enter the United States without the written permission of the Attorney General. If the defendant re-enters the United States, he shall report in person to the nearest U.S. Probation Office within 48 hours.

The defendant is prohibited from incurring any new credit charges or opening additional lines of credit without the approval of the probation officer, unless the defendant is in compliance with a payment schedule for any restitution obligation. The defendant shall not encumber or liquidate interest in any assets unless it is in direct service of the restitution obligation or otherwise has the express approval of the Court.

The defendant shall cooperate in the collection of DNA as directed by the probation officer.

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### STANDARD CONDITIONS OF SUPERVISED RELEASE

While the defendant is on supervised release pursuant to this Judgment:

- 1) The defendant shall not commit another federal, state, or local crime during the term of supervision.
- 2) The defendant shall not illegally possess a controlled substance.
- 3) If convicted of a felony offense, the defendant shall not possess a firearm or destructive device.
- 4) The defendant shall not leave the judicial district without the permission of the court or probation officer.
- 5) The defendant shall report to the probation officer as directed by the court or probation officer and shall submit a truthful and complete written report within the first five days of each month.
- 6) The defendant shall answer truthfully all inquiries by the probation officer and follow the instructions of the probation officer.
- 7) The defendant shall support his or her dependents and meet other family responsibilities.
- 8) The defendant shall work regularly at a lawful occupation unless excused by the probation officer for schooling, training, or other acceptable reasons.
- 9) The defendant shall notify the probation officer within seventy-two hours of any change in residence or employment.
- 10) The defendant shall refrain from excessive use of alcohol and shall not purchase, possess, use, distribute or administer any narcotic or other controlled substance, or any paraphernalia related to such substances.
- 11) The defendant shall not frequent places where controlled substances are illegally sold, used, distributed, or administered.
- 12) The defendant shall not associate with any persons engaged in criminal activity, and shall not associate with any person convicted of a felony unless granted permission to do so by the probation officer.
- 13) The defendant shall permit a probation officer to visit him or her at any time at home or elsewhere and shall permit confiscation of any contraband observed in plain view by the probation officer.
- 14) The defendant shall notify the probation officer within seventy-two hours of being arrested or questioned by a law enforcement officer.
- 15) The defendant shall not enter into any agreement to act as an informer or a special agent of a law enforcement agency without the permission of the court.
- 16) As directed by the probation officer, the defendant shall notify third parties of risks that may be occasioned by the defendant's criminal record or personal history or characteristics, and shall permit the probation officer to make such notifications and to confirm the defendant's compliance with such notification requirement.

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Upon a finding of a violation of probation or supervised release, I understand that the Court may (1) revoke supervision or (2) extend the term of supervision and/or modify the conditions of supervision.

These conditions have been read to me. I fully understand the conditions, and have been provided a copy of them.

You shall carry out all rules, in addition to the above, as prescribed by the Chief U.S. Probation Officer, or any of his associate Probation Officers.

(Signed) \_\_\_\_\_  
Defendant Date

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U.S. Probation Officer/Designated Witness Date

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**RESTITUTION AND FORFEITURE****RESTITUTION**

The defendant shall make restitution in the total amount of \$120,000. The Court will waive the interest requirement in this case. Payments should be made payable to the **U.S. Treasury** and mailed to Clerk, U.S.D.C., 402 East State Street, Rm 2020, Trenton, New Jersey 08608, for proportionate distribution to the following victims in the following amounts:

<b><u>Name of Payee (Victim)</u></b>	<b><u>Amount of Restitution</u></b>
TD Bank Attn: Corporate Security Investigation Administration 900 Atrium Way, Mount Laurel, New Jersey 08054 Ref: 2007001617	\$87,800.00
Iberia Bank Attn: Corporate Security 601 Poydras Street, Suite 2075, New Orleans, Louisiana 70130	\$32,200.00

The amounts ordered represent the total amounts due to the victims for these losses. The defendant's restitution obligations shall not be affected by any restitution payments made by other defendants in this case, except that no further payments shall be required after the sums of the amounts actually paid by all defendants has fully satisfied these losses. The following defendant(s) in the following case(s) may be subject to restitution orders to the same victims for these same losses:

Edmond Mensah	Cr. No.: MJ.08-3015
Sharika Clarke-Hayajneh	Cr. No.: Cr.09-00007
Seidu Gado	Cr. No.: Cr.09-00011
Ali Abu	Cr. No.: Cr. 08-00910-01
Solomon Blay	Cr. No.: Cr. 08-00910-02

The restitution is due immediately. It is recommended that the defendant participate in the Bureau of Prisons Inmate Financial Responsibility Program(IFRP). If the defendant participates in the IFRP, the restitution shall be paid from those funds at a rate equivalent to \$25 every 3 months. In the event the entire restitution is not paid prior to the commencement of supervision, the defendant shall satisfy the amount due in monthly installments of no less than \$100, to commence 30 days after release from confinement.

Unless the court has expressly ordered otherwise, if this judgment imposes imprisonment, payment of criminal monetary penalties is due during imprisonment. All criminal monetary penalties, except those payments made through the Federal Bureau of Prisons' Inmate Financial Responsibility Program, are made to the clerk of the court.

Payments shall be applied in the following order: (1) assessment, (2) restitution principal, (3) restitution interest, (4) fine principal, (5) community restitution, (6) fine interest, (7) penalties, and (8) costs, including cost of prosecution and court costs.